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MISS ALLISON SCORES IN "LOVERS' LANE"

First Presentation of Clyde Fitch's Drama Proves Attractive to Poli-Audience.

In the presentation of *Lovers' Lane*, Clyde Fitch's comedy drama, last evening by the Poli Stock Company, the public was treated to a pastoral production which seldom fails to attract a house of the B. R. C. variety. The piece was effectively staged and capably directed and the action in ratio to the requirements of the play.

Briefly, the story is that of Thomas Singleton, a country parson whose anti-clerical tastes, characteristic views and innovations, supplemented by an infinite capacity for assisting and forgiving his fellow creatures, have incurred the animosity of his congregation. By installing a billiard table in the young men's club house, adopting an orphan who has been rejected by three aunts, sheltering various indigents and a divorced woman of incalculable character and refusing to provide a mistress for his home, the pastor has placed himself beyond the pale of respectability in the eyes of the community. The road leading from the parsonage to the church has been named "Lovers' Lane" as it is apparently the highway to the minister's one sin. During the action of the play, this path constitutes an ideal focus for various companies of two to "think it over."

The plot is adequately insipidated in the first act, when immediately after Mrs. Woodbridge and her child have been received as the clergyman's permanent guests, Herbert Woodbridge, the divorced husband, presents himself in the study with Mary Larkin, his prospective bride, and the minister, with the hesitation of thirty-one seconds, succumbs to the charms of Miss Larkin. Mrs. Woodbridge appears upon the scene, and the wedding is indefinitely postponed.

Eventually Miss Larkin experiences a change of heart in the minister's favor. Herbert Woodbridge is converted from a bold, bad man into a lovable repentant, his wife becomes reconciled and the audience realizes its anticipations. In the interim, the village schoolmistress relinquishes her cherished notion of becoming a clergyman's wife, and a pair of poverty-stricken antiquaries who have been enjoying their pastor's beneficence discover the genuine lovers' lane.

Prior to the climax, Mr. Singleton has been forced to resign from his church and Mrs. Woodbridge to abandon her position in the village choir. Both are reinstated with the restoration of harmony and the subsidence of the church council.

The author generously allows a period of six months for mutation and reform, after which the wicked become good, the critical are molded into charitableness, the harsh grow gentle, the separated are united and the minister, who for fifteen years has resisted the allurements of Eddyville femininity, enters into a matrimonial engagement.

Every character cast was one of prominence with excellent opportunity for clever work.

John Ince, as the domineer, played to advantage, excelling in his role as protector of the unpopular little orphan, and by falling in love with Miss Larkin after years of indifference to her sex, demonstrated the law of natural science that it is possible for every object to lose its equilibrium. Miss Montgomery, as Mary Larkin, held the attention of her audience throughout and betrayed numerous popularly accepted feminine characteristics.

Frances Brandt was a charming thing in her role of Mrs. Herbert Woodbridge, the divorced wife, and mother of Dick Woodbridge, a lame and apparently dumb little boy who was instrumental in reuniting his parents. William Townsend, as the boy's father, acquitted himself with credit, simulating cleverly the uncomfortable condition of a man in the process of reform.

The interest of the production was sustained by Miss Patty Ann, who interpreted the part of Simplicity Johnson, the orphan. Miss Allison's performance was replete with surprising situations, but the little lady's heart was properly located and through her instrumentality several devious ways were made clear.

A great perusal of Miss Allison's popularity with her audiences is attributable to the fact that she invariably renders her lines in loud clear tones which are the little lady's in all portions of the house; she demonstrated her athletic ability by participating in the juvenile games of the school children and by climbing a tree more or less difficult of ascent. The house was with Simplicity.

Scott Sigline in the guise of the village storekeeper lost but one opportunity toward the perfect rendition of his part. With an astonishing modesty, he forebore to thrust out his tongue when the display of some inches of that member would have proved an effective accompaniment to the stage business.

Thomas Williams, as Uncle Bill Walters, was his own inimitable self, which is an assurance all sufficient for Poli patrons. Mr. Williams made an ideal lover of the anti-clerical type

and wooed persistently Victoria Montgomery who made a hit as Aunt Melissa by the refinement of her visage and her pathetic portrayal of a dear old lady.

Some excellent character work was performed by Jessie Pringle, the established favorite, as Miss Mattie Singleton, the minister's housekeeper. Conspicuous, also, in the same line were Edith Brower, Ruth Handforth, Juliette Roberts and Margaret Lewis, typical representatives of the rural busybody and director of the universe. Each of these ladies was strong in the opportunity presented by the play.

J. Hammond Dailey did some effective comedy work, but the brevity of role prevented his usual display of ability. As Deacon Steele, Emilie Collins left no latitude for improvement. A local contingent constituted the school children who diversified the play's action. The youngsters were uniformly good, natural in their expressions and pleased with their surroundings. The fight between two of the boys, however, was a rather tedious proceeding and lacked the flavor of the genuine article. Had the round of grins which succeeded the encounter been supplied by some other and indispensable demonstrations by the hastily separated combatants, the effect would have been infinitely more impressive.

Lovers' Lane will be presented every afternoon and evening during the current week and will doubtless prove a strong attraction for the representative Poli audiences.

COLLISION TIES UP TRAINS

LONG DELAY ON NEW YORK CENTRAL AND NEW HAVEN LINES AFTER MOTORS CRASH.

All traffic on the main line of the New York Central as well as on the Harlem Division and on the New York, New Haven & Hartford line was blocked for an hour and the schedule upset for more than two hours last evening by a collision on the main line, under the 149th street bridge at Park avenue, New York, between the electric motor of the southbound Poughkeepsie local and a heavy north-bound freight locomotive. The motor was injured, but hundreds of passengers were severely shocked and fully twenty trains were delayed until a runabout truck could be opened. The motor and locomotive on the two trains were wrecked.

Both trains were running at a speed of about ten miles an hour, approaching each other on parallel tracks. Directly under the 149th street bridge a network of switches, the two trains met exactly on this point, when the heavy freight locomotive made a mighty lunge, left the track completely and ramming the lighter motor tore up its side, but did not throw it from the rails.

The driver of the motor jumped and thereby saved his life. The crew of the freight train remained in the sheltered cab and were not injured. The locomotive tore up the switches and tracks.

Supt. Bardo of the Mott Haven yards was soon on the scene with a hundred men. They succeeded in getting the motor out of the way in a short time, but even this did not leave the tracks clear for the traffic which was waiting on schedule time from the north. It required two hours to hoist the freight locomotive back on the tracks.

Trains were lined up on the rows of tracks for several blocks. A switch was accordingly constructed at 152d street, so that all trains were finally switched around by way of the roundhouse in 150th street, thence over the "Y" back to the main line, thus making a complete loop around the wreck under the bridge. By this process trains lost about forty minutes in reaching the Grand Central Station.

All east bound trains for this city were delayed an hour or more in consequence of the accident.

Zeppelin Fails Again to Sail His Big Airship

(Special from United Press.)

Frankfurt, Germany, Aug. 3.—Count Zeppelin today made a second unsuccessful attempt to sail his big airship, Zeppelin II, from Frankfurt to Cologne, a distance of 110 miles. Hardly had he started on the trip when the hind propeller broke in two and the rear motor stopped.

The Count, relying on the front motor, managed to manoeuvre the big vessel until it reached an easy landing, ten minutes from the starting point. The ascent was made from the aviation grounds at 10 o'clock. When it was seen that the airship was injured the military guard rushed to the scene. As the airship settled to the ground thousands of people gathered to witness the flight, rushed toward it and serious trouble would have resulted had not the soldiers and police intervened.

Zeppelin is downcast at his second failure, that of yesterday having been interrupted by a heavy wind. Mechanics have been summoned from Friedrichshafen to repair the airship. When repairs are made the Count will make another attempt to fly to Cologne along the Rhine course, to

CATHOLICS ASK INDULGENCE

THOUSANDS OFFER REPEATED PRAYERS IN THE FRANCISCAN CHURCHES.

New York, Aug. 3.—Thousands of devout Catholics made visits to Franciscan churches in the city yesterday to gain the indulgence of Portiuncula, one of the most important festivals of the year. The devotees would enter the edifices, say aloud a few short prayers, then, going outside into the street, would return time and again some made as many as twenty-five visits.

The churches where the indulgences could be gained included all of the Franciscan denomination in Manhattan and Brooklyn. The festival began at 3 p. m. on Sunday and continued until sundown yesterday. In order to gain the indulgence a confession of sins and the reception of holy communion were necessary. A priest of the Order of St. Francis explained this indulgence by writing:

"One night in the month of September, 1221, St. Francis had a vision in the little chapel of Santa Maria of the Angels at Assisi, Italy. Christ, accompanied by his holy mother, and a multitude of angels, appeared on the altar and encouraged the saint to ask a favor for the salvation of souls."

The priest added that the saint asked Christ that he grant to all sinners who confessed and visited the church a plenary indulgence. This favor was granted, and later was sanctioned for all future time by Pope Honorius III.

Writers have said that the Pope was convinced of the vision being authentic by being presented with three white and three red roses in the midst of winter.

SCHOOL BARS CATHOLICS

UNABLE TO CHANGE DONORS' WILL WINSITED CITIZENS WANT NEW INSTITUTION.

Winsted, Aug. 3.—The Selectmen have called a special town meeting for Friday evening to appropriate funds for the erection of a High School for children of all religions. Catholic children are barred from High School education in the Gilbert School by provisions in the will of its founder, the late William L. Gilbert, a wealthy pioneer clock manufacturer. An attempt was made by the trustees of the Gilbert School to have the Gilbert will amended so that Catholics could enter the school, but the Legislature refused to change the instrument of the millionaire.

The meeting was called at the instance of prominent Catholic citizens, including the Rev. Mr. Andrew, pastor of St. Joseph's church. Postmaster James P. Glynn, and Thomas F. Fitzgerald, a member of the Town School committee. The committee in its report said:

"No one can deny that Mr. Gilbert had an absolute right to dispose of his money in any manner he pleased. It is not necessary to try to discover Gilbert's motives. In the matter of providing a place for the higher education of those who will comply with his wishes, he has succeeded. In the matter of supplying a High School which the town can accept with decency he has failed, for he had no right to determine what might constitute a disability in the matter of attaining a High School education. Mr. Gilbert could not by any honest means have town that any wish of his in this matter would be a part of its educational policy."

HIGHWAY CONTRACTS.

R. B. Davis of This City to Build Road in Trumbull and Monroe.

Contracts for the construction of state roads have been awarded by State Highway Commissioner Macdonald as follows:

To E. N. Clarke of Milford was awarded the contract to build 11,399 linear feet of macadam and telford road on the main trunk road between New York and Boston in Greenwich at \$1.40 a linear foot. To Mr. Clarke was also awarded the contract for constructing 7,850 linear feet of gravel road in Wilton at \$1.49 a linear foot for gravel road and \$1.99 a linear foot for gravel road with a telford base.

The contract for the construction of 11,467 linear feet of gravel road in the Norwalk and Danbury trunk in Wilton and 553 linear feet on the same road in Ridgefield was awarded to John F. Knapp of New Canaan at \$1.15 a foot for gravel road, \$1.55 for gravel road with telford base, 25 cents a linear foot for railing, and \$4.50 a cubic yard for masonry.

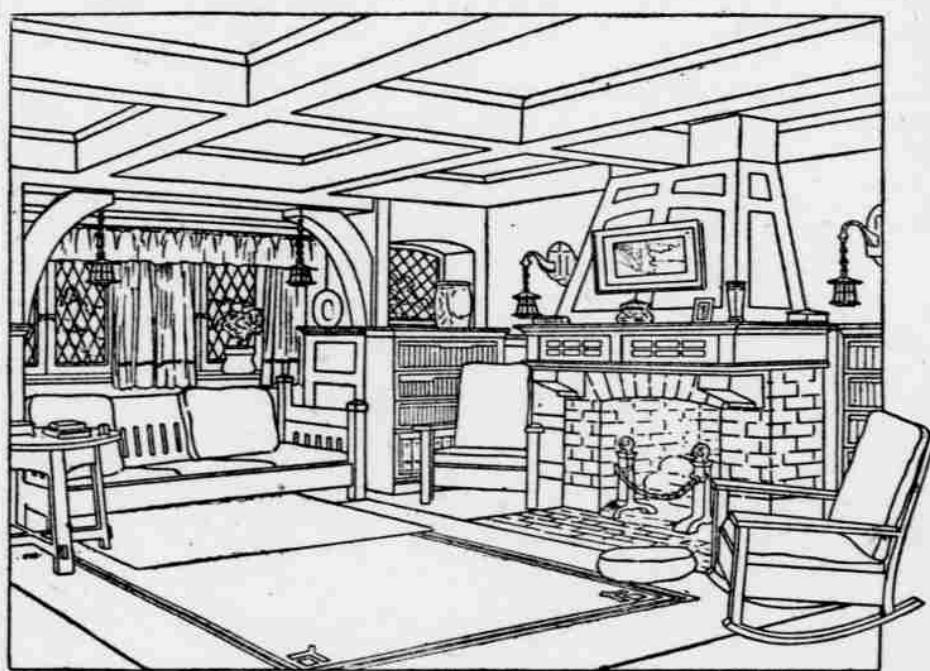
To R. B. Davis of Hartford was awarded the contract to construct 5,165 linear feet of macadam and telford road on the Long Hill road in Trumbull, and 1,015 linear feet on the same road in Monroe at \$1.56 a linear foot for macadam and \$2.20 a linear foot for telford.

The contract for the construction of a macadam road in Thomaston has not been awarded.

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hesitation the guards and several of the convicts plunged into the bay and swam to the rescue of the men.

The waves were running high but the convicts and guards managed to reach and save two of the men. Three were drowned. The convicts swam about in the bay for hours diving until all of the bodies had been recovered. During the time the guards were in the water not one of the convicts who were left on shore made an effort to escape.

District Deputy Charles W. Tator of the Woodmen of the World is in New Britain where he is engaged in building up a new camp.

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